

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0044] with the following replacement paragraph:

[0044] By using the EDI DOM according to an embodiment of the present invention, an EDI document is represented and stored in a memory according to a logical hierarchy, so as to genericize the EDI document to be parsed according to different EDI standards, such as by using ANSI, EDIFACT, or TRADACOMS, for example.

Please replace paragraph [0050] with the following replacement paragraph:

[0050] Referring now to Figures 4-7, an explanation will now be given of an interaction between a client application and the EDI DOM according to an embodiment of the invention. In the example used to provide this explanation, the client application is Microsoft EXCEL™, but of course any client application for creating [[of]] or modifying documents or messages may be utilized while remaining within the scope of the invention.

Please replace paragraph [0059] with the following replacement paragraph:

[0059] In this example, not all information from the invoice and its ~~lines~~ line items are used to populate the EXCEL™ invoice template, but rather only the pertinent information is used and hence displayed to the user.